

Paulist Center Boston

Attentive to the Holy Spirit and nourished by vibrant liturgy, we are a Catholic community that welcomes all, fosters healing and reconciliation, and acts for justice.

MUSICIANS

There will be a meeting of all music ministers on Thursday, September 21st, from 6:45—8:00pm in the Chapel. Musicians who are presently singing, or playing, along with anyone who would like to join the music ministry are encouraged to come meet with Peter Ghiloni.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Any children or youth who would like to sing with the 10am Music Ministry on Sunday, September 24th, are invited to a rehearsal Sunday, September 17th at 9:15am in the Chapel. Questions? Peter Ghiloni at peter@paulistcenter.org.

FREP KICK-OFF MASS & FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

Join us for the first mass of the Religious Education School year on Sunday, September 24th. Afterwards, join us in the Auditorium for the Family Fall Festival to meet new people, catch up with families you haven't seen over the summer, sign up for religious education or just to have fun. Arts & crafts and games for children of all ages!

LGBTQ KICK-OFF

Sunday, September 24th, the LGBTQ Group will kick-off the new year with an evening of small group sharing about the gifts and challenges of being LGBTQ and Catholic following the 6pm mass in the Library. Come to share experiences of joy and struggle in our shared journey or simply to hear from others in the community. We particularly welcome those who may be new to the Paulist Center community or those who have been coming for a while but who haven't been involved in our ministry so far. Family and straight allies are welcome. Pizza and drinks provided.

SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2017 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday
5:00 PM
7:55 AM
Sunday
12:05 PM

10:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation on 12:00 PM First Fridays from 11–11:45 AM and

6:00 PM by appointment

CALL FOR HECKER AWARD SUBMISSIONS

We are now accepting submissions for the 2017 Hecker Award for Social Justice which will be given out in late fall. Guidelines for submissions can be found on our website at PaulistCenter.org under Social Justice: Hecker Award. Deadline is looming, please get in your submissions directed to Susan Rutkowski at 617-948-2426 or susan@paulistcenter.org. Thank you!

MID-LIFE GROUP KICK-OFF DINNER

alling all in their 40s/50s! Want to meet up for dinner and talk about how we can build community together? We'll meet up in the Library at 6pm on Saturday, September 23rd. Come to 5pm mass and then come meet some new friends! Dinner provided. RSVP to Katie Oxley at katie@paulistcenter.org.

LOOKING FOR ONE MORE TEACHER

We are preparing for our 2017/18 year of Family Religious Education. If you are interested in teaching or leading one of the children's programs at the Center - Liturgy of the Word with Young People, religious education grades 1-6, Jr. High Youth Group or Sr. High Youth Group - please contact Susan Rutkowski at susan@paulistcenter.org or 617-948-2426 for more information. Training is available. Classes begin in September.

NO COMMUNITY COFFEE THIS WEEKEND

Next weekend, join us for our Family Fall Festival after the 10am mass and coffee after the 12pm mass, in the Auditorium.

Welcome! If you are considering becoming a member, please fill out a membership inquiry form, found in the welcome brochure at the entranceway to the chapel or on our website. You may also call Chilton Brettin at 617-742-4460. After returning the form, a staff member will contact you.



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PRAYER OF HEART AND BODY

Come try meditation and yoga in a Christian context. The invitation is to a refreshing and powerful way of praying with the whole of your being:



body, mind, heart, and spirit. Each session culminates in movement to music, engaging with a variety of postures that give bodily expression to song-prayers, followed by a period of quiet sitting in centering prayer. Instructor: Fr. Tom Ryan, CSP, certified yoga instructor and author of numerous books on spirituality, see www.tomryancsp.org. 10 Mondays, September 18th -November 27th (except October 9th), 5:30-7:15pm in the Auditorium. \$12 per session (\$6 for students). Registration forms available in rack in the back of Chapel or at reception office, 617-742-4460.

NEW ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

Take Back Your Time is a new series offered by Fr. Tom Ryan, CSP, consisting of one talk a month from September-March on Holistic Spirituality for Christian Living. The first session is Rediscover the Sabbath, Thursday, September 21st, 7-8:15pm in the 2nd Floor Seminar Room. We live now in a religiously pluralistic society where you can work every day if you want to. The thing is, the 3rd commandment still stands: "Keep Holy the Lord's Day." So how, as a contemporary Christian, do you do that? We will look at the rich spirituality underlying a Sabbath practice, as well as at some practical, how-to considerations for reactivating and implementing this life-giving discipline in our living. (Suggested donation: \$10)

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Our Group meets on Wednesday nights, usually twice a month, always in the Holy Spirit Chapel, from 6-8pm. We share time in worship, song and praise together, and discuss, various scripture passages and topics that have powerfully moved us. We are meeting on Wednesday, September 20th. All are welcome to join us for a joyous time of worship. If you have any questions, please contact Nora Bolcon at 617-573-1664.

STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD
Weekend Collection	\$8,172	\$17,494
Budget Amount	\$11,164	\$21,212
Difference	(\$2,992)	(\$3,717)

As always, we remind you that it is only the generosity of your resources that makes the activities of the Paulist Center possible and weekend collections are the "bread and butter" of our operating budget. If you wish to make an offering, please make checks payable to the Paulist Center and mail to 5 Park Street, Boston, MA 02108, or even better, sign up to give electronically through our website!

5% COMMUNITY GIFT

We give 5% of our total fiscal-year weekend collections to various organizations. This weekend we will designate our gift to **Homeboy Industries**, the largest gang intervention, rehabilitation and re-entry program in the world. Additional information can be found on their website at **www.homeboyindustries.org**. Additionally, there are envelopes in the pews for victims of **Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma** to be directed through Catholic Charities USA. We thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE			
Sun	9/17	Music Ministry Rehearsal –Chapel	9:15am
		YAM Kick-off –Auditorium	7:00pm
Mon	9/18	Prayer of Heart and Body –Auditorium	5:30pm
Wed	9/20	Supper Club –Auditorium	6:00pm
		Charismatic Prayer Group –Chapel	6:00pm
Thurs	9/21	Rediscover the Sabbath –Seminar Room	7:00pm
		Music Ministers –Chapel	6:45pm
Sat	9/23	Mid-Life Group Kick-Off Dinner –Library	6:00pm
Sun	9/24	Family Fall Festival –Auditorium	11:15am
		LGBTQ Group Kick-Off -Library	7:00pm

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual Direction is an opportunity for one to reflect and share one's life and prayer experience and be guided in one's search for God. Spiritual Direction is available at the Center, from Sister Kathleen Hagerty, CSJ, and Christopher O'Rourke. Sister Kathleen can be reached at 617-755-9729. Christopher can be reached at 617-817-3977.

PARKING AT THE PAULIST CENTER

One Beacon Street Garage \$12.00

Turn left at the bottom of the ramp. All weekend and after 4pm on weekdays. Validate your own ticket with the stamp on the shelf in the chapel vestibule during Masses or in reception weekday evenings.

Boston Common Garage \$10.00

Purchase single tickets in the reception office weekday evenings or purchase a 20 ticket booklet at the garage office. Valid after 4pm weekdays and all weekend as long as you exit before 8am the next day.

DIRECTOR'S REFLECTION

Dear Companions on the Journey,

Martin Niemöller, Lutheran pastor and vocal opponent of Hitler in Nazi Germany, has been famously and frequently (and *variously*) quoted:

First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out—Because I was not a Socialist.

Then they came for the Trade Unionists, and I did not speak out—

Because I was not a Trade Unionist.

Then they came for the Catholics, and I did not speak out—Because I was not a Catholic.

Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—Because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.

What is *different* about this quotation from that in my last column is that I added the stanza about the Catholics. Niemöller used this powerful thought in many sermons, perhaps changing it in different circumstances.

But perhaps not.

Some historians say that subsequent writers inserted the "Catholic stanza." And perhaps with some justification. Indeed, more than 2600 Catholic priests were put to death in Dachau. I visited Dachau once and ruminated on this possibility: if I had been in Poland during 1933-45, I may well have been rounded up for execution. A chilling thought. But a dangerous thought. Why, you ask?

To be continued, next week...

What do you think?

And let us pray for/with one another.

Michael

The Paulist Center

YOUNG ADULT KICK-OFF EVENT

Young Adults (18-39yrs) are invited at 7pm this Sunday, September 17th for dinner/kick-off event in the Auditorium. Bring a side/dessert/drink to share or a \$5 suggested donation.

CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF CREATION

Prom Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*: "When human beings place themselves at the center, they give absolute priority to immediate convenience and all else becomes relative. . . It is also the mindset of those who say: Let us allow the invisible forces of the market to regulate the economy, and consider their impact on society and nature as collateral damage." (# 122-123)

SIGN UP FOR FAMILY RETREAT BY SEPTEMBER 24

The annual Paulist Center Family Retreat will take place Columbus Day Weekend at the Craigville Retreat Center on the Cape in Centerville -Saturday morning, October 7th until Monday morning, October 9th. Please consider joining us for a weekend of reflection, spiritual growth and connection with other families! This year's theme is "Passing Down Catholicism". The cost is \$210 for adults and children 12 and over, \$140 for age 6-11 and free for those 5 and under. For more information or to sign up, please contact Chase Duclos-Orsello at chase.duclosorsello@emdmillipore.com or 781-249-5830.



IN OTHER COMMUNITIES...

LISTENING TO NATIVE VOICES: STANDING ROCK IS EVERYWHERE

PCC Care of Our Common Home Ministry asks that you join us for **St. Francis Day on Saturday, October** 7th from **10am-4pm** at the Agape Community (www.agapecommunity.org), 2062 Greenwich Rd., Hardwick. Suzanne and Brayton Shanley, past Hecker Award recipients, are honored to have Chief Arvol Looking Horse and Beatrice Menase Kew Jackson as presenters. If you need a ride to Agape or are willing to provide transportation please email us by September 27th at careofourcommonhome@gmail.com.

GREENING YOUR PARISH

Join us for a Catholic Call to Action for Creation. **September 17**th from **2-4pm**, Memorial Hall, St. Mary of the Annunciation Parish, Cambridge. Find out how to promote the principles of Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si*,' in your parish community. For details and RSVP, go to *http://tinyurl.com/greening-program-9-17*.

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